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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 17TH, 1908.

CHINA's new ruler apparently intends to  
create a favourable impression. One of the  
latest pronouncements of the PRINCE  
REGENT is a suggestion that education  
should be made compulsory throughout the  
Empire. He has not issued a decree on the  
subject, and therein he shows his wisdom  
for, desirable as the object is, it could not  
be carried out at present. Were he to have  
published an Edict commanding that schools  
should be established and education made  
general and compulsory he would have  
brought the Throne into a ridiculous light  
and demonstrated, what it is not expedient  
to make too clear, that the central authority  
is not always able to execute the laws which  
it promulgates. But that by the way. The  
main point is that PRINCE CHUN is not  
content to adopt a passive attitude, but that  
he wishes to indicate the line which pro-  
gress should take in the great Empire  
whose destinies are figuratively, if not  
actually, under his control.

Compulsory education in China sounds  
well, and bears the stamp of progress. But  
desirable as it is, it hardly comes within  
the region of practical politics, and for one  
great incontrovertible reason—the where-

withal is lacking. Before China can attempt  
any real reform she must reorganise her  
finances. She must have a steady revenue;  
she must have an income on which she can  
rely. The money raised from the taxpayers  
must not go to the enrichment of the tax-  
gatherers, but every cent of it should go  
into the public purse. Then all things  
which are humanly possible become practi-  
cable. A strong army, a powerful navy, a  
system of education, these and other things  
will follow the readjustment of taxation  
which will provide the necessary funds for  
the exchequer to finance and administer  
the country. But even under present  
limitations much may be done to make  
education more general than it is in the  
Empire. Viceroy SHUN, who was regarded  
as a reactionary by many in Hongkong, has  
the honour of having made very laudable  
attempt to provide greater educational  
facilities in the Two Kwang Provinces. He  
ordered that schools should be established  
in practically every village in Kwangtung  
and Kwangsi and threw the responsibility  
of maintaining these upon the gentry. The  
scheme may not be free from criticism, but  
it appeared to be an honest attempt to deal  
with a crying evil, and it has the merit of  
surviving his departure. The schools  
started by his prompting exist in large  
number to-day and, as they are conducted  
on fairly modern lines, their institution  
must be regarded as a boon to the  
two provinces named.

Undoubtedly the education question  
demands attention. While those resident in  
cities and in villages near the great centres  
of population usually possess some degree  
of learning acquired by more or less atten-  
dance at school, the great mass of the people  
in the interior remain illiterate. And it  
will be no easy matter to reach them. To  
make education compulsory and universal  
is a formidable undertaking from which  
even the most progressive statesman might  
shrink. Village schools could not be sup-  
ported by the ordinary village community  
without some grant in aid from government,  
—unless of course in those happily cir-  
cumstanced localities where philanthropists  
come to the rescue,—and the Government  
is not yet in a position to make the  
necessary contribution. No matter from  
what standpoint the subject is viewed, the  
financial difficulty presents itself. That even  
the son of the poorest farmer might be able  
to attend school is the reported ambition of  
the Regent, but grave obstacles stand in the  
way of its realisation and this ideal, like so  
many others, is certainly very far off. That,  
of course, need not prevent educational  
leaders working for it. Rome was not  
built in a day. Many years of agitation  
and debate passed before education was  
made compulsory in Britain. What a  
hiatus there was between the establishment  
of the universities and the establishment  
of the grammar schools we know, and also  
the blank in educational progress between  
that and the Education Act of 1870. In  
China has a long road to travel before she  
attains universal education, but that need  
not deter her from starting on the way.

We regret to learn that Dr. J. H. Hawk,  
the well-known Chinese physician, is ill with  
typhoid in the Civil Government Hospital.

Inspector Kerr took over the Wanchoi Police  
Station on Monday in very unusual circum-  
stances. There was not a case on the charge  
sheets, and not a report in the occurrence book.

The upsetting of a gasoline lamp caused a fire  
at 42, Cochrane Street, early yesterday morning.  
The ground floor of this building, which is used  
as a shooting gallery, was gutted, and no  
insurance had been effected on the premises.

A coolie employed in the Naval Yard was  
charged before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy  
yesterday with stealing a quantity of brass. A  
watchman, on searching him, found the brass  
tied round his legs. His Worship sentenced  
the defendant to one month's imprisonment.

Before Commander Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N.,  
at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday, two  
boatmen were fined \$5 apiece for causing an  
obstruction by anchoring in the southern  
harbour. The master of another boat was fined  
\$3 for failing to exhibit the necessary lights  
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On Tuesday evening or early yesterday  
morning, Mr. McCordale of Quarry Bay was  
robbed of a gold watch and chain valued  
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evening Mr. McCordale left his watch and  
chain on the dressing table, and when he awoke  
the following morning it had disappeared.  
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free passages from and back to Kowloon, as  
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continue at the Convent until Christmas Eve.

The excavators at the Beacon Hill railway  
tunnel are expected to junction at an early date.  
So near are they to each other that the ex-  
plosion of a blasting charge on one side can be  
heard by the men working at the other end.

There was an attempted burglary at the  
offices of the Ewe Cotton Spinning Co. on  
Tuesday night. The robbers gained entrance  
to the office, but were apparently disturbed  
before they had time to ransack it.

The Y.M.C.A. Parliament held their usual  
weekly meeting on Tuesday night but nothing  
of importance transpired. It was proposed by  
Captain Brown, and seconded by Captain Baker  
that in view of the approach of the festive season  
and its manifold attractions "that this House  
stands adjourned until the first Tuesday of the  
next month" and, upon being put to the motion  
of the House, the proposal was adopted.

A native was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood  
at the Magistracy yesterday with obtaining a  
quantity of opium by means of a trick. The  
defendant purchased a pot of opium, and while  
the shopkeeper's back was turned put it in his  
pocket and placed an empty pot on the counter  
in its stead. After paying for the opium he  
returned the pot to the shopman and asked for  
another as the one he had received was not  
full weight. As a similar trick had been  
played on the opium seller a few days previously,  
he gave the man in charge and the police found  
the full pot in his possession. His Worship  
asked the defendant if he wished to call any  
witnesses, and defendant gave the name of a  
friend who would give evidence on his behalf.  
Unfortunately for him, however, this man was  
on remand on a charge of armed robbery. His  
Worship sentenced the defendant to three  
months' imprisonment. The same man was  
charged before Mr. Kemp with breaking and  
entering a cigarette shop at Hungtham, found  
guilty, and another three months was added to  
his sentence.

Mr. J. W. Gibson, president of the Manila  
Merchants' Association, and one of the most  
successful lumber merchants in the Philippines  
is at present staying at the Hongkong Hotel.  
He is returning to Manila from the United  
States, where he has been on holiday. Mr.  
Gibson owns various timber concessions in the  
Philippines, mainly on the Island of Mindanao,  
and carries about forty-five varieties of wood in  
his lumber yard at Manila, principally pine used  
in the manufacture of furniture. It is worked  
into doors, windows and ceilings by 500 Filipinos  
in his employ. Mr. Gibson has never  
attempted to enter the China trade, as the  
present method of getting Philippine  
woods, he explained to a *Daily Press* re-  
presentative, makes it too expensive for competi-  
tion with Borneo and Australia. It had been  
proposed to him on several occasions that he  
should provide woods for different railways in  
China, but for the reasons stated he did not see  
his way to consider the propositions favourably.  
There are several woods in the Archipelago  
of the texture and quality of pine, but the cost  
of getting them makes it more economical  
to use pine from Oregon. There is not  
much business in cheap grades of lumber  
in the Philippines, but the excellent hardwoods  
of the islands are mostly used for building  
purposes, as they are impervious to white ants.  
Mr. Gibson concluded with the remark that if  
more of such woods had been used in some of the  
buildings in Hongkong, a few collapses might  
have been avoided.

Hongkong and other similar dollars on a  
silver basis are usually imported into Bangkok,  
says the Financial Adviser to the Government  
of Siam, for two purposes only—firstly, for use  
in the arts, and secondly for sale to Chinese im-  
migrants returning to their own country, viz.  
Hongkong. These usually take their savings  
with them in the form of silver dollars and the  
Customs returns show that there was a large  
increase last year, as compared with the previous  
one, in the number of dock passengers both  
entering and leaving the port of Bangkok—the  
departure for Hongkong numbering over 42,000  
against the previous year's figure of 32,000 odd,  
or an advance of 31 per cent. This fact prob-  
ably accounts for a considerable portion of the  
increased import of dollars, while the unusually  
low rate of exchange on Hongkong which pre-  
vailed during the latter part of the year may  
also have had some effect in inducing speculative  
importations.

Marquises Nabeshima and Hosokawa and  
Viscount Kiyoura have returned to Japan from  
their protracted trip in China. The Viscount  
is said to speak in vivid terms of the great  
progress made by Peking since he visited that  
place ten years ago. At present the city is  
suffering from severe commercial depression,  
but its marked development must strike any  
visitor. Alluding to the schools and colleges  
in Peking, the Viscount has only words of  
admiration for the scale and the system on  
which they are conducted. He considers that  
the educational future of China is beyond ques-  
tion. An interesting statement made by the  
Viscount is that, among the presents sent to  
himself and the two Marquises by the Em-  
peror and Empress Dowager, there were scrolls  
indited by the Imperial Personages themselves.

The Viscount received such a scroll in the  
handwriting of the Emperor, and a landscape  
painted by the hand of the Empress Dowager.  
He conjectures that this was probably the last  
picture painted by Her Majesty in this world.  
The Viscount speaks highly of Mr. Ijima's  
sagacity, and predicts that his ability in  
knowing when to yield and when to be firm will  
greatly promote the best interests of the two  
countries. He does not think that the deaths  
of the Emperor and Empress Dowager will  
interrupt the country's progress towards a con-  
stitution. Speaking of Hankow, the Viscount  
found that the Germans were conspicuously  
prosperous there, and that the Japanese  
organisation left much to be desired.

**TELEGRAMS.**

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**THE KAISER AND HIS**  
**CASTLES.**

LONDON, December 16th.

H.M. the Kaiser is selling five of  
his castles.

**DEATH OF THE EARL OF**  
**ANNESLEY.**

LONDON, December 16th.

The death is announced of the Earl  
of Annesley, Representative Peer for  
Ireland.

**DEATH OF A GERMAN**  
**PRINCE.**

LONDON, December 16th.

The death is also announced of  
Prince Liechtenstein.

**THE COAL MINERS' BILL.**

LONDON, December 16th.

The Coal Miners' Bill has been  
passed by the House of Lords.

**ATHLETICS.**

LONDON, December 16th.

Longboat, the Canadian (Indian)  
athlete, has defeated Dorando, the  
Italian, in a long distance running  
match.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

**THE PANAMA CANAL.**

LONDON, December 14th.

Prior to its inauguration, Mr. Taft will  
visit Panama, it is reported in connection  
with disquieting reports on the prospects  
of the canal works.

**MONTENEGRO AND AUSTRIA.**

LONDON, December 14th.

Montenegro has imposed the maximum  
tariff on Austrian imports.

**GREAT BRITAIN AND TURKEY.**

LONDON, December 14th.

An address signed by 350 leading  
Members of Parliament, including Mr.  
Asquith, and Mr. Balfour, is being sent to  
the Turkish parliament on the occasion of  
its assembly on the 17th inst. The address  
hopes that the child of a peaceful revolu-  
tion will herald peace, liberty and prosperity.

**LOCAL SPORT.**

**CRICKET.**

A match was played on the ground of the  
Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday between the  
Buffs and an eleven selected by the Lieut.  
Haughton, and ended in a win for the Buffs by  
42 runs. The Buffs band played selections of  
music during the afternoon, and after the  
match the cricketers entertained their friends.  
The scores were—

MR. HAUGHTON'S XI.	
A. E. Lanning, c. Baird, b. White.....	10
T. E. Pearce, l.b.w., b. Baird.....	18
E. Day, c. Greenway, b. White.....	3
Lieut. Haughton, c. Ward, b. Baird.....	0
Mr. Bagwell, b. Baird.....	11
Capt. Beasley, c. Baird, b. White.....	6
A. Young, c. Fries, b. White.....	7
Lieut. Lippmann, b. White.....	0
Mr. Oliver, c. Green, b. Baird.....	6
A. W. Peake, c. Green, b. Baird.....	43
Mr. Garrett, not out.....	27
Extras.....	8

THE BUFFS.	
Lieut. Green, st. Lanning, b. Garrett.....	54
Capt. Greenway, b. Peake.....	2
Sergeant Wallis, c. Lippmann, b. Garrett.....	5
Lieut. Linnis, c. Young, b. Garrett.....	5
Capt. Baird, b. Garrett.....	34
Lieut. Sill, c. Young, b. Garrett.....	6
Lieut. Ward, c. Beasley, b. Lippmann.....	2
Capt. Beasley, c. Bagwell, b. Peake.....	9
Sergeant Kelly, not out.....	26
The Price, b. Bagwell.....	12
Mr. White, b. Peake.....	9
Extras.....	14
Total.....	151

**THE REACH-ALL AMERICAN**  
**BASEBALLERS.**

Yesterday morning the Reach-all American  
baseball team arrived here from Shanghai, and  
will play their first game at the Happy Valley  
on Saturday afternoon, when Dr. Wilder, the  
American Consul-General, will pitch the  
first ball. The team is composed of  
Bliss, St. Louis Nationals, and Williams, San  
Francisco, Pacific Coast League, catchers;  
Burns, Washington Americans, Flaherty,  
Boston Nationals, and Grimes, Cleveland  
Americans, pitchers; Danzig, Boston Nationals,  
first base; Delahanty, Washington Nationals,  
second base; McAdams, San Francisco Pacific  
Coast, shortstop; Devereaux, Oakland Pacific  
Coast, third base; Hildebrand, San Francisco  
Pacific Coast, left field; Curtis, San Francisco  
Pacific Coast, centre field. Heitmatter,  
Philadelphia Americans, right field. After  
their game of "ball" the visitors will try  
conclusions against Hongkong in a cricket  
match to be played on the ground of the Hong-  
kong Cricket Club on Monday. The next few  
days will be spent at the nets to enable the base-  
ballers to get into form for the coming match.

**SUPREME COURT.**

Wednesday, 16th December.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR  
F. PIGGOTT).

**A COMPROMISE AGREEMENT.**

Further argument was heard in the action  
raised by S. J. David and Company against  
Chan Ut Chui, a former compradore for the  
recovery of \$648,816 damages under a com-  
pradore's agreement.

Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr.  
Jackson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Mas-  
ter, appeared for the plaintiffs, while defendant  
was represented by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C.,  
instructed by Mr. J. Scott Harston.

His Lordship, alluding to clause 8 which  
referred to the responsibility of the compradore  
to make good to the firm all monies, losses, etc.,  
said he could not follow from counsel's argument  
why that did not supply the personal covenant  
in the mortgage.

Mr. Pollock submitted that the words referred  
to must import personal liability.

His Lordship wished to know whether that  
stood in lieu of the ordinary personal covenant.

Mr. Pollock agreed that it was equivalent to  
a personal covenant. He would like to draw his  
Lordship's attention to the word "all," and sub-  
mitted that it showed personal liability and was  
go extend to monies, losses etc. and not merely  
to extend to a balance after deducting the value  
of the mortgaged premises and after deducting  
the sum of \$55,000.

His Lordship replied that if he were to hold  
that that clause in the agreement was equivalent  
to the personal covenant in the mortgage, then  
possibly plaintiff's rights would be the same as  
if they had got a personal covenant.

Mr. Pollock agreed that was so and contended  
that clause 12 showed defendant was bound to  
make good to the plaintiffs all losses in connec-  
tion with the firm's business sales, agreements  
or transactions. The clause obviously contem-  
plated an account being run up against the com-  
pradore. Taking clauses 8 and 12, His Lordship  
should hold that there was personal liability to  
an unlimited amount, not limited by the amount  
of the mortgaged property and the \$55,000  
deposited, and it was absolutely clear that the  
compradore agreed to be liable *inter alia* for  
losses arising from or in connection with the  
business.

Sir Henry Berkeley said he was going to  
argue that the two documents should be read as  
one. The two documents constituted the trust  
of surety and therefore the agreement between  
the parties was one of suretyship. The point  
was whether the concluding part of clause  
8 of the agreement might be read as if it  
formed the precise terms of the mortgage  
security.

His Lordship—Whether it does not stand in  
lieu of it?

Sir Henry Berkeley—Yes. Proceeding, he  
respectfully submitted that the concluding words  
did not constitute an agreement on the part of  
the compradore to pay all losses sustained by his  
employers under their contracts with the Chinese  
dealers. He contended that nothing was due  
under the mortgage because there was no  
personal covenant in the mortgage to pay.

In the course of subsequent discussion refer-  
ence was made to the method of conveyancing,  
upon which his Lordship remarked—I only wish  
we could adopt the French system of convey-  
ancing. This is most complicated. If some-  
body would only study French conveyancing it  
would be quite simple; you simply say what you  
mean.

Argument was concluded and his Lordship  
indicated that he would endeavour to give  
judgment before next Wednesday.

**IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.**

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ  
(ACTING PUISNE JUDGE).

**CLAIM AGAINST A SHIPPING COMPANY.**

The action in which Yun Wan, who  
claimed to be the lawful husband of  
Yun Yan Shi, deceased, and Yun Ah  
Mui, the infant daughter of both, sought to  
recover from the Indo-China Steam Navigation  
Company Limited \$1,000 damages for loss  
sustained by the death of the said Yun Yan Shi,  
was continued. Plaintiff alleged negligence  
of the defendants' servants in navigating the s.s.  
*Loong Sang* in the harbour of Hongkong on  
19th June, 1908, whereby a collision took place  
between the *Loong Sang* and the licensed junk  
No. 2666 on which the said Yun Yan Shi was a  
passenger. The deceased had been in receipt of  
from \$12 to \$15 per month as wages and had  
contributed up to the time of her death towards  
the household expenses of the plaintiff and had  
paid solely for the maintenance and education  
of Yun Ah Mui. Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared  
for the plaintiff and Mr. Hastings appeared for  
the defendants.

A clerk in the Registrar General's office  
produced a petition sent in by Li Ting claiming  
compensation for the death of his wife.

Mr. Hastings pointed out that this was  
presented before the date of the action.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing said he would produce a  
letter from Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co.,  
in answer to the claim he made on July 30th.  
Evidently they had knowledge of the claim.

Witness, examined as to Chinese marriage  
customs, said that strictly speaking, before the  
wife was called *kyiat* neither of the parties  
would have been previously married. A widow  
remarrying was a real wife.

Would it be necessary on a man marrying a  
widow for the widow to be accommodated with  
a marriage chair?—In Canton according to  
mandarin custom, they should have a marriage  
chair, but in the country the chair is dispensed  
with.

The police contractor who occasionally em-  
ployed the deceased woman estimated her  
earnings at \$9 or \$10 a month. Her expenses  
would amount to \$4 or \$5 a month.

Mr. E. F. Annett, shipping clerk in Messrs  
Jardine, Matheson & Co., said the first intima-  
tion his firm had of the claim in question was on  
July 31st. Cross-examined.—The firm had had  
other claims. The first one was settled for  
\$1,500 in respect of the damage to the junk and  
the loss of the owner's wife. It was paid in  
settlement of all claims.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing said he wished to call  
evidence of the marriage of plaintiff and the  
deceased and pointed out that deceased  
had not been identified except by name as the  
wife of Li Ting. Counsel proposed to call  
evidence to rebut the testimony of one of the  
witnesses who made inquiries at his office.

Mr. Hastings objected.  
Other witnesses having been called,  
Mr. Hastings submitted that the plaintiff had  
not made out his case.

Mr. Otto Kong Sing also addressed the court.  
His Lordship gave judgment for defendants  
on the simple ground that there had been  
proof of a previous marriage which had not been  
annulled.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

A SENSATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT.  
[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG  
DAILY PRESS."]

SIR,—Reuter's telegram which appears in  
your issue of yesterday has been the cause of  
immense excitement amongst the shipping  
community and the pig dealers.

It is rumoured that applications for space have  
poured in to a well known line to such an  
alarm extent that no more room is available  
for next year.

The rate of freight and price of pigs has  
increased by leaps and bounds, and it is firmly  
believed that so soon as the railways in China  
are more developed, special steamers will be  
built for the conveyance to Europe of this class  
of cargo.

No doubt capitalists at home will be induced  
to pay their attention to this matter, and it is  
assured on good authority that several syndicates  
are being formed locally to develop the trade.  
Trusting this may be of some interest to your  
readers.—Yours faithfully,

NONCENTS.

**CANTON.**

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

December 15th.

**CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.**

The To Hang Company have placed four  
steam launches on the Canton-Fatshan run  
since the railway fares of the Fatshan line were  
increased. But the traffic is so great that a  
rival concern, called the Fook Sing Company,  
are now placing two launches on the same run.  
The Board of Posts and Communications has  
called to the Canton-Hankow Railway Company  
refusing to sanction the building of the branch  
line of railway from Fatshan to Kongmoon.

**ANOTHER BARBER PUNISHED.**

A barber who was caught shaving a client in  
his shop in Shan Wah Street, Fatshan, the other  
day, was fined heavily. He was unable to pay  
the fine and was ordered to kneel outside the  
Police Station for four hours.

**AN EX-MIN**



## THE GAME OF BASEBALL.

The substantial orders placed for new ships with Clyde builders have been the primary cause of a better aspect of affairs at Glasgow. Orders to the aggregate of 120,000 tons were known to have been placed in September, but October did not come out so well. Perhaps the most outstanding orders were those given to the Russian Volunteer Fleet, five vessels of 8,000 tons each having been contracted for by a Greenock firm. The money value will be £360,000. The steamers are to form part of two services to be run to the ports of Vladivostok, Yokohama, and Shanghai. Shipowners, remarks a Glasgow correspondent are evidently of opinion that freights will improve with the spring, and that it will be the newest and best equipped that will fare best in the competition for trade. At all events, with some shipbuilders willing to build a new ship on order on the basis of £5 per ton, investment would appear to offer not a little temptation and promise of a good return in normal times.

Miss Florence Hamer in the title rôle gave very clever interpretation of her part. Mr. Douglas Vigers, as "Gerald" being equally successful. Mr. E. S. Geach, "Freddie," was highly amusing, and with the remainder of the Company ably sustained the principals.

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Mr. W. H. King also said he was surprised to find that so little was known of this immense area of awaiting occupation. People had no knowledge of the value of the country, and the Government, fearing that the country would be sold at a low price, would only supply material proof against any claim. Having completed matters in connection with the land inquiries, the party entered upon prospecting tour from Doubtful Bay down along the coast line, making a short inland excursion. They discovered immense copper lodes in three places, and secured Government reward claims of \$4 acre each. There was plenty of copper everywhere, and silver, lead, and tin should also abundantly be found, as the indications were.

Considerable attention was attached to Messrs. King's expedition, as they say that there are millions of acres of good country east of the mountains for the country, and no prospect would be made.

Asquith at one time professed himself devoted to the cause of the franchise. In the spirit of an auctioneer Mr. Asquith made a bid for Socialist support. When asked about the franchise to women? Mr. Asquith on that question had taken a strong line of opposition. He could not with decency turn a political compromise. He took a moral course. He said that he had not had any personal convictions remain unchanged, but he was prepared to allow the party to settle the matter apart from him. Could anything be more unmanly? Imagine the great statesman of the past, Chatham, Pitt, Canning, Palmerston, Peel, or even Gladstone, effacing themselves in dealing with a great constitutional question at leaving it to be decided by a scratch majority in the House of Commons! Surely we have here the impotence of statesmanship, the very degradation of politics.—From Mr. Asquith

The str. *Carnarvonshire* left Singapore Wednesday the 16th inst., and is due here about Wednesday the 23rd inst. a.m.  
The str. *Craigbar* sailed from Seattle 15th inst., for Hongkong via Moji.  
The L.G.M. str. *Kleist* which left here the 18th ult., has arrived at Genoa on the 1st inst. at 8 a.m.



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## THE Steamship

"GLENAVON,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at THREE WHARF into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 11 A.M.

No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

MAGGREGOR BROS. & GOW, Hongkong, 16th December, 1908. [1671]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

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The Steamer brings Cargo from Venice or S.S. "Metecovich," transhipped at Trieste.

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Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the office of the Underwriter before Noon on the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd inst., will be subject to rent.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1908. [3]

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MRS. WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH.

SATURDAY, Dec. 19th,

ZAZA.

THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL.

TUESDAY, Dec. 22nd,

JACK STRAW.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 23rd,

DIANA OF DORSET'S.

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HUGHES & MOUGH, Government Auctioneers, Hongkong, 8th December, 1908. [1650]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG: ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. Action No. 21 of 1908.

## PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of SALE

Undermentioned Share and Interest in LEASEHOLD LANCED PROPERTY To be Sold In One Lot

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

On TUESDAY, the 22nd day of December, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon, by MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT, at his Sales Room, Duddell Street,

UNDER the direction of ARATHOON SETH, Esquire, I.S.O., the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, pursuant to an Order of the said Court made in the above Action on the 17th day of November, 1908.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE PARTICULARS:—The one equal undivided SIXTH SHARE and interest of YU HONG otherwise YU LOK NG of and in all the Piece or Parcel of Land registered in the Land Office as Section "D" of Marine Lot No. 81, which has been carved for the matter of Mortgage into Two Sections namely the Subsection 1 of Section "D" of Marine Lot No. 81, together with the Messuages or Tenements thereon known as Nos. 324, 326 and 328, Des Vaux Road, West, and No. 2, Sung Hing Lane and the Remaining Portion of Section "D" of Marine Lot No. 81, together with the Messuages and Tenements thereon known as Nos. 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16 and 18, Sung Hing Lane.

The said premises are held for the residue of the term of 99 years from the 12th day of December, 1945, granted by a Crown Lease dated the 12th day of July, 1857, subject to the payment of the Crown Rent and to the performance of the covenants in the said Crown Lease reserved and contained. As to the Remaining Portion of Section "D" of Marine Lot No. 81, the said premises are held subject to an Indenture of Mortgage registered in the Land Office by Memorial No. 41133 and to the principal sum of \$22,000, and interest thereon.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale apply to Messrs. D'ALMEIDA & SMITH, Solicitors for the Vendor, or MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer, Hongkong, 8th December, 1908. [1651]

## GRACA &amp; CO.

(Established 1896.) No. 27, Des Vaux Road, opposite the P. & O.'s Office.

Dealers in Bare Asiatic and Foreign Postage Stamps, and all other Philatelic Goods. View and Artistic Postcards. Novels, Cigars.

XMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS in Packets of 15 for 40 cents. Also Selected Varieties at Cheapest Rates. Inspection invited. [1652]

## INTIMATIONS

## GRAND EXHIBITION

## OIL PAINTINGS,

(By Celebrated French Artists)

To be held at the

CITY HALL (St. Andrew's).

TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) & SATURDAY,

the 18th and 19th December, 1908.

Admission ... .. 50 Cents.

Proceeds to be divided between the Hongkong Benevolent Society and The Tung Wah Hospital.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1908. [1656]

## DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY. 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Hongkong, 17th April, 1907.

## SIEN TING

## SURGEON DENTIST.

No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. [1327]

## COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD. have now 40,000 Cubic Feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods. G. K. HAYTON, Manager. Hongkong 1st April, 1908. [43]

## NEW CARTRIDGES.

BY popular English Manufacturers. In all Bore and Sizes. SMOKELESS POWDERS and CHILLED SHOTS. From No. 10 to 55SG. at \$6, \$7 and \$7.50 per 100. SPORTING REQUISITES and AIR GUNS in Variety.

Inspection invited. WM. SCHMIDT & Co. Hongkong, 26th October, 1905. [1445]

## AUTOMATIC BROWNING

## POCKET PISTOLS.

CALIBRE 7.65 mm.

With CHAMBER for 8 CARTRIDGES

FIRING 8 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS.

SHIMSEN & Co. Hongkong, 6th March, 1907. [42]

## AUTOMATIC MAUSER

## PISTOLS.

CALIBRE 7.65 mm.

With CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES

FIRING 10 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Agents. Hongkong, 15th March, 1907. [535]

## MITSU BISHI GOSHI KAISHA.

## (MITSU BISHI CO.)

## COAL DEPARTMENT.

SOLE PROPRIETORS OF TAKASIMA, OCHI, HOJO, NAMAZUTA, SATO, SHINSEI, and KAMITAMADA, COLUMBIA.

SOLE AGENTS FOR: KISHIDAKE, MIYAGI, and KIGYO, KOMATSU, OCHI.

HEAD OFFICE: MARUNOUCHI, TOKYO.

BRANCH OFFICES: NAGASAKI, MOJI, KASATSU, WAKAMATSU, KORE, OSAKA, SHANGHAI, HONGKONG, HANKOW.

Cable addresses for above: "TWASAKI" Codes, A.I. ABC 5th Ed., Western Union.

## TO LET.

TO LET.

GODOWN in Wanchai 100 by 50, \$85 per month; also open air space adjoining 125 by 100.

Apply to—Care of "Daily Press" Office, Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. [1655]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd Floors of No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central (formerly occupied by Messrs. SHEWAN TOMES & Co.)

Apply to—THE COMPADORE DEPARTMENT, E. D. SASSOON & Co., Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 10th June, 1908. [947]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

ROOMS in HOTEL MANSTONS, suitable for Offices or Chambers.

Apply to—HENRY HUMPHREYS, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. [1550]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

FURNISHED THE BLUFF, No. 107, the Peak 5-Roomed Bungalow with Tennis Court. March to July, \$200 a month inclusive.

Apply—L. GIBBS, Beaconsfield Arcade, Hongkong, 14th November, 1908. [1657]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUNDRELL STREET.

Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [683]

## TO LET

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GODOWN, No. 97, PRATA EAST.

Apply to—CHATER & MODY, Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 14th October, 1908. [1482]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

"CRAGSIDE" BARKER ROAD PRAT, Furnished, from 17th March next.

Apply—A. H. SKELTON, Lane, Crawford & Co. Hongkong, 23rd November, 1908. [1597]

## STORAGE.

FOR COAL, TIMBER, &c.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 235 at NORTH POINT, suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEER WATER.

Also FOR SALE.

Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRATA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FEET. 999 YEARS LEASE.

For Particulars, apply—GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [84]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Wong Nai Chung Road.

A HOUSE in RYDON TERRACE.

No. 10, DES VOUX ROAD CENTRAL, 1st floor.

"HATHERLEIGH" Conduit Road.

OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS in PRATA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Vaux Road next to the HONGKONG HOTEL.

FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE.

Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [86]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

A BERTHOLWY, PRATA ROAD, from 1st March next. Recently Furnished, Hot and Cold Water laid on. Tennis Court and Swimming Bath.

Apply to—HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD. Hongkong, 6th October, 1908. [1372]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

No. 52, CAINE ROAD.

Apply to—SAM WANG CO., LTD. 81, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, 30th September, 1908. [90]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

FROM 1st MAY.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yau Ma Tei, Area 65,290 square feet and with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.

Apply to—HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD. Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. [221]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

BEACONFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.

A 6-ROOMED HOUSE, furnished or unfurnished at the Peak.

CRAIG RYKIE, No. 4, Peak.

No. 55, ELGIN TERRACE.

BEACONFIELD ARCADE, Fine Offices and Dwelling Rooms.

No. 15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 1st & 2nd Floors, (over Calabook MacGregor).

OFFICES in Queen's Road Central.

BEACONFIELD TERRACE HOUSES, Robinson Road.

A GODOWN in Duddell Street.

Apply to—LINSTEAD & DAVIS, 3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [89]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

FROM 1st MARCH, 1909, a FURNISHED HOUSE at No. 1, Gong Hill, the Peak.

Apply to—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD. Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [1601]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

ONE OFFICE ROOM, Third Floor, New Praya 2, Opposite Murray Pier.

Apply to—SCHULDT & CO. Hongkong, 28th July, 1908. [1015]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

"FUNG-SHUI" 121, PLANTATION ROAD THE PEAK. This House which is admirably situated and within easy distance of the tram, is fully furnished, and contains Drawing and Dining Rooms, Three Large and One Small Bedrooms, Dressing and Bath Rooms, Pantry, Kitchen and Laundry, Servants' Quarters, Poultry House, Large Vegetable Garden (planted with English seeds) Flower Garden and Lawn.

For further particulars apply to—JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors, 8, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong, 6th November, 1908. [1536]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

No. 14, SEYMOUR TERRACE. Possession from 1st January, 1909.

Apply to—THE COMPADORE DEPARTMENT, Messrs. GIBBS, LIVINGSTON & Co., St. George's Building, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1908. [1634]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

Apply—SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited, Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. [91]

## TO LET.

TO LET.

COAL YARD. Immediate Possession. A PORTION OF THE COMPOUND of Marine Lot, No. 42, Wanchai, Praya East.

Apply to—N. MOODY & CO. Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. [1342]

## BANKS

## THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ... .. \$1,500,000  
SUBSCRIBED ... .. 1,125,000  
PAID-UP ... .. 562,500  
RESERVE FUND ... .. 210,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balance.



## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

## THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED,

## AND THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO. LTD.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo on THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP and THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s Steamers are hereby notified that on and after 1st JANUARY 1909, all Cargo on these Steamers will be landed into HOLT'S WHARF, KOWLOON, which will be Open from that date to Receive and Store Cargo. For Storage Rates and other particulars, Apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS:  
THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.  
THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.  
HOLT'S WHARF.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [1654]

## FROM NEW YORK

## THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ARAGONIA"  
Captain Meyer, having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th inst., at 9.30 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, General Managers, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1908. [1654]

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG"  
having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo, impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. the 17th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD. General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [16]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE F. &amp; O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

## FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—  
From London, &c., ex "India."  
From Australia, &c., ex "China."  
From Calcutta, ex "Sardinia."  
From Persian Gulf ex B. I. S. N. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours. Goods not cleared by the 17th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. [1]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## S.S. "BENLEDI"

## FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

## CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby in-

formed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst., will be subject to rent. All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 23rd inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 11 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1908. [1660]

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

## NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA

## (Florio and Babbalini-United Companies.)

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

## THE Steamship

"ISCHIA"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained. Perishable Goods to be taken delivery of immediately.

All Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 21st inst., or they will not be recognized. All Claims will be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th inst., at 9.30 A.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1908. [4]

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN

## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE Steamship

## "PRINZ WALDEMAR"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Optum Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 19th Dec., will be subject to rent.

All broken chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th Dec., at 9.30 A.M. All claims must reach us before the 23rd Dec., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELBOURNE & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [5]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## "GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

## THE Steamship

## "GLENEARN"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 21st Dec., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st Dec., at 11 A.M. No claims will be recognized if not presented within 14 days of the ship's arrival.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW, General Managers, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1908. [1661]

## FROM EUROPE.

## THE H.A.L. Steamship

## "BARCELONA"

Capt. Porzelius, having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 5 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, General Managers, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1908. [1669]

## MARTIN'S

## APOL'STEEL

## LADIES' PILLS

## A French Remedy for all Irregularities, "Tonic" for the Blood, and "Purifier" for the System. It is the only medicine of its kind, and is the only one that can be taken by the most delicate and most sensitive of women. It is the only one that can be taken by the most delicate and most sensitive of women. It is the only one that can be taken by the most delicate and most sensitive of women.

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## WATER RETURN.

## Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on the 1st December City and Hill District Water Works.

## LEVEL.

## 1907. 1908.

## Below overflow. Below overflow.

## Tyam ..... 0 ft. 6 in. 4 ft. 9 in.

## Tyam Byewash ..... 28 ft. 2 in. 28 ft. 2 in.

## Tyam Intermediate ..... 2 ft. 4 in. 2 ft. 2 in.

## Below overflow. Below overflow.

## Pekulam ..... 2 ft. 6 in. 5 ft. 4 in.

## Wong-nai-chung ..... 2 ft. 6 in. 8 ft. 0 in.

## STORAGE GALLONS.

## 1907. 1908.

## Tyam ..... 380,250,000 345,280,000

## Tyam Byewash ..... all all

## Tyam Intermediate ..... 209,388,000 209,651,000

## Pekulam ..... 60,520,000 54,380,000

## Wong-nai-chung ..... 27,185,000 20,669,000

## Total ..... 677,343,000 628,980,000

## CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN THE CITY AND HILL DISTRICT DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

## 1907. 1908.

## Consumption, 132,081,000 134,219,000 gallons.

## Estimated ..... 205,860 207,660

## Consumption per head per day

## 21.3 21.5

## Constant supply during November in both years.

## The return of Consumption is subject to error owing to the difficulty of accurate measurement whilst the extension works at Albany Filter Beds are in progress.

## Kowloon Water Works.

## LEVEL.

## 1907. 1908.

## Below overflow. Below overflow.

## Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir ..... 27 ft. 5 in. 22 ft. 5 in.

## STORAGE GALLONS.

## 1907. 1908.

## Kowloon Gravitation Reservoir ..... 127,817,000 160,108,000

## CONSUMPTION OF WATER IN KOWLOON DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER.

## 1907. 1908.

## Consumption ..... 20,681,000 28,949,000 gallons.

## Estimated population

## 80,500 85,300

## Consumption per head per day

## 8.5 11.2

## The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

## Public Works Department.

## W. CHAZHAM, Water Authority.

## DO WE WASH TOO MUCH?

## PHYSICIAN'S ATTACK ON A BRITISH INSTITUTION.

## One of the most cherished traditions of the British race, the "cold tub every morning," is mercilessly criticised by Dr. J. H. Clarke in "Vital Economy; or, How to Conserve Your Strength," published last month, by Mr. Fisher, Uxbridge.

## Dr. Clarke contends that in the matter of health we are misled by words and phrases: "The pores of the skin is a phrase at the shrine of which many feeble folk are sacrificing the last flicker of their energy in the daily morning tub. Plenty of fresh air is another tyrant which has claimed numberless victims."

## "I once lost a good patient, who was always ailing, by putting off his daily morning tub," says Dr. Clarke. He grew strong and put on weight and it is one of his delights to shock his friends by telling them how many years it is since he had a bath!

## "Too much soaping and scrubbing, according to Dr. Clarke, removes the lubricating material secreted in the glands of the skin to make it soft and supple, and the removal leaves the skin more sensitive to atmospheric changes. By soaking the body the self-cleansing cells absorb water, swell up, and die."

## "One has only to rub oneself after a bath and they come off in little rolls. These do not consist of dirt, as is the popular idea, but of skin-cells. I often tell people that it is quite possible for them to wash themselves dirty. They remove so much of the protecting surface that they give the dirt a real chance of getting into their skins."

## Dr. Clarke recommends as a substitute for a bath a folded towel, wetted in the centre and pressed rapidly all over the body. This will open the pores sufficiently without entailing any shock.

## A representative of the London Daily Express who sought the opinions of health experts could find no one to agree entirely with Dr. Clarke.

## Mr. Eustace Miles even went so far as to say that as a nation we wash far too little.

## "There is, of course, some truth in the theory," he said, "that the skin has certain protective powers that are weakened by too much washing, and the same thing applies to too much drinking of water."

## "But to-day the bodies of most people are clogged and poisoned, and sensible washing with warm water and pure soap, followed by cold water to give a reaction and dry friction, will probably do more good than harm. It may be, but it will remove refuse."

## "Professional theories are mostly based on no insufficient study of people as they are. Just as we are called an athletic people although less than 5 per cent. are really athletic, so we are called a washing people. As a matter of fact, I suppose that far less than half of our total population washes thoroughly once in two days."

## MR. SANDOW'S VIEW.

## The "cold tub" was warmly defended by Mr. Sandow.

## "I have proved conclusively," he said, "that in the cases of 90 per cent. of Englishmen the 'cold tub' is highly beneficial."

## "The 'cold tub' is not cleansing—it is not supposed to be—but the reaction which it brings is an excellent thing for the circulation. Those who shiver when they step out of a 'cold tub' should take hot baths, followed by a cold douche, or spray, to give the necessary reaction."

## "I do not agree with the suggestion that the nation washes too much."

## "If we lived like savages, absolutely unclothed with daily sun and air baths, there would be no need for so many ablutions. But with our clothing and the general conditions of a busy life, our skins are bound to become clogged with a certain amount of dirt."

## A proprietor of Turkish Baths described Dr. Clarke's crusade against washing as "sheer nonsense."

## "Dr. Clarke is right when he says that the dark rolls which come off the body after a scrub are dead skin-cells," he said. "But with these cells there comes away a wonderful amount of old dirt. Now it is obvious that dirt must clog the skin, and that it should be removed as often as possible."

## "I might possibly be accused of washing too much, because I have taken a Turkish bath every day of my life for many years, but my skin is in a wonderfully good condition."

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